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Sir:

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1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 7-302617, published November 14, 1995.
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 8-250108, published September 27, 1996.
3. Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-288706, published October 19, 1999.
4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 7-296812, published November 10, 1995.
5. Japanese Patent Publication No. 7-50162, published February 21, 1995 with English Abstract.
6. Japanese Patent Publication No. 7-94186, published April 7, 1995 with English Abstract.
7. Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-135153, published May 21, 1999 with English Abstract.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.



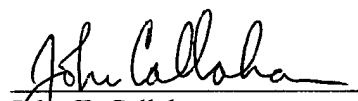
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